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Examiner : Edwin L. Swinchart
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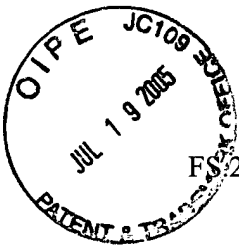
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement set forth in the Office Action dated June 15, 2005, Applicant hereby elect the Species, identified by the examiner as being directed to "throttle valve control" or prosecution in the present application. Claims 1-2, 4-32, 34, and 35 read on the elected Species, with Claims 1-2, 4-32, 34, and 35 being generic.

The present election is being made with traverse. Applicant submits that it is well established that:

If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without **serious burden**, the examiner **must** examine it on the merits, **even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions.**

M.P.E.P. § 803 (emphasis added).

There are only two (2) dependent claims directed to the non-elected species. Thus, examination of all the claims would not present a substantial further "serious burden" on

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the Office. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the present election of species requirement be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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